GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:63
ANSWERED ON:28.07.2005
FUNCTIONING OF T. V. TRANSMITTERS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of complaints especially from rural and backward areas have been received in regard to faulty functioning of T. V. transmitters during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; State-wise; and

(c) the action taken by the Government to ensure fault free functioning of T. V. transmitters?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (c) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 63 REGARDING FUNCTIONING OF T.V. TRANSMITTERS

(a) & (b) : Prasar Bharati has informed that performance of TV transmitters in Doordarshan Network is generally satisfactory, though complaints of malfunctioning of some transmitters are received from time to time. The record of complaints is maintained at local levels.

(c) All efforts are made by Doordarshan to attend to the complaints promptly. However, in the case of Very Low Power Transmitters (VLPTs), which are unmanned installations, it takes some time to attend to the complaints, as maintenance staff has to be sent from the nearby Maintenance Centres.